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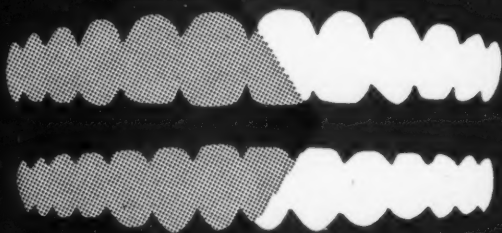
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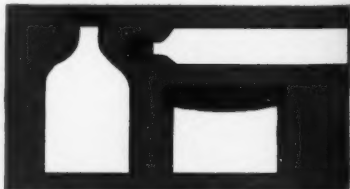
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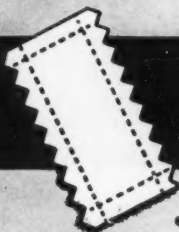
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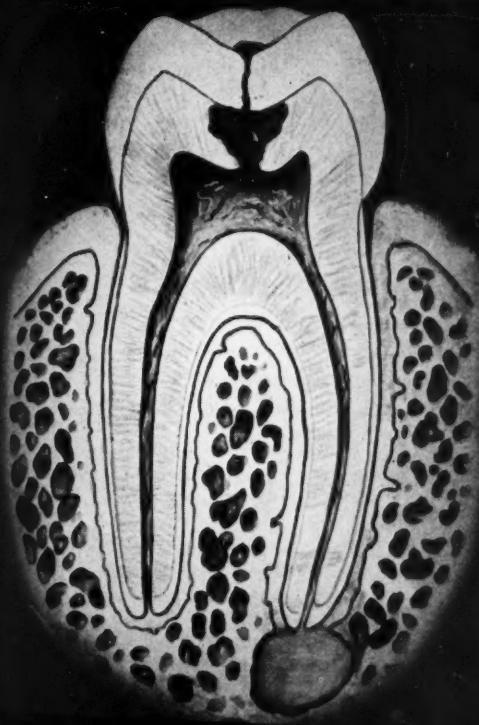


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# The President Speaks . . .

Dear Friends:

How can I put into printer's ink on one page the thoughts that crowd into my mind as I realize that it is September — then comes October when my day as your president will have ended?

"Not a year, not a month, not a week" but just a day it seems to me since that meeting in Atlantic City! Particularly is this my feeling when I think of the things that I had hoped and planned to do and have not. For that, I will appropriate the words

"What I aspired to be" (to you)  
"And was not, comforts me."

For me, for you, the spring and summer have passed, this is the planting and growing time. Now comes the harvest.

Let us look on our field. You remember that I challenged you in my acceptance message to ADVANCE numerically, educationally and professionally and you, my Fellow Officers, Trustees, Committee Chairmen and Members, accepted the challenge. You have been so wonderfully faithful in your labors. Hence, in September, we see, not an abundantly fruited plain, — (Our advance in membership has not been what we had hoped it would be), but we do see a most promising and most profitable harvest, — a harvest that has a "sweet and wholesome odor."

In education so many long-sought and enduring advantages have come to us that this year, 1957, will be remembered as a new era for American Dental Assistants Association. Plans have been made for members of our Committee on Education to attend a workshop that is being sponsored by the Council on Dental Education for the Education and Certification of the Dental Assistants October 2nd-4th. This workshop will be held in the Central Office of the American Dental Association.

I can remember when such an event would have been labelled a "far illusive dream" but

"One man with a dream at pleasure  
Shall go forth and conquer a crown;  
And three with a new song's measure  
Can trample a kingdom down."

Lillian Hoffman in her article "My \$6.00" (this issue) makes such an intelligent appraisal of the worth-whileness of the increase in dues that no one of us would cherish any regrets over having taken this action at our last annual meeting.

The time for our thirty-third Annual Meeting draws nigh. Recall the Rhymer from Miami

"Tho' we don't mean to boast  
We've planned it the most  
'cause you ain't seen nuttin  
'Til we've done it up for Dutton."

What they're "planning and doing up for Dutton" they're planning and doing up for you and you and you. Surely, we will all agree that

"The more we get together, together, together  
The more we get together  
The happier we will be;

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For my friends are your friends  
And the more we get together  
The happier we will be."

So please — MEET ME IN MIAMI.

Now that I must leave you "in guid b'ack prent" may I say thank you, thank you very much for all that you have done for me and for ADVANCING our beloved profession during these past months. My best love is, and will be, yours ever and forever.

*Sincerely,*

MARY FRANCIS J. DUTTON

## Editorial

### ARE YOU A GENIUS?

By JANET LINDENBERG, Contributing Editor

Genius has been perhaps best defined as the studied art of applying the seat of the pants to the seat of the chair. In other words, 95% Perspiration and 5% Inspiration.

Nowhere is this definition more apt than as it applies to dental assistants. We are professionally what we read, what we study, what we learn. If our only interest is a 9 to 5 job, then we have already reached our plateau of learning. We may get a little better in our work because of experience, but we also will get a little worse because of our declining interest. The 9 to 5, "it's only a job"—attitude spells failure.

But the genius among us . . . and the little bit of genius in each of us . . . has that chance of coming to full flower if we apply ourselves after hours . . . if we read about new techniques, new ideas, new solutions to old problems. Each day should be a challenge to apply what we read the night before, to improve, constantly, to maintain a fresh eager interest in our work and in our patients so that they, too, sense that growth and development in us.

There's something contagious about enthusiastic interest in our work, interest reflected in our outside reading and studying. Our boss, the dentist—and his boss, the patient, quickly differentiate the dull drone from the live wire, the "I couldn't care less" assistant from the "I care very much" breed. There's something almost therapeutic in the shining hopeful eyes of an assistant who is trying something new which promises better things for the patient and the doctor. There's something not almost, but most, depressing about the assistant who mechanically goes about doing her job with the least amount of physical and mental effort.

We must develop habits of outside study by devoting at least one hour each evening to reading some worthwhile magazine, paper, speech, or a book in our field. The brain is a kind of muscle which grows with use, but atrophies without exercise. Flex that brain muscle, open up new doors of learning, experience the exciting awareness of discovery and invention.

You'll be contributing much to your doctor and your patients; equally important, you'll be doing something to your entire outlook on life which will compel you to say to yourself, "Why haven't I done this before?"

## RECORDS

By CORRINE A. DuBUC\*

Dental Assistants should be familiar with the necessary procedures for the maintaining of proper dental records and although these may vary in form, a patient's record should contain the following information:

- Complete description of service, each visit
- Materials used . . . shades . . . laboratory
- Diagnosis
- Consultations
- Recommendations
- Estimate quoted to patient
- Plan of payment agreed upon
- Charges, credits and balance . . . each visit
- Broken appointments

The extent of the information required by each particular employer may be complete or abbreviated. However, in most instances, typewritten records are superior to those written in longhand.

Besides serving as a reference, records have proven to be valuable adjuncts when malpractice claims reach the courts and a Dentist is summoned to produce the record of a patient. Also, radiographs should not be overlooked for they, too, are an essential part of the patient's record.

It might be in order to briefly review certain established routines leading to adequate dental records: List complete history of each patient; identify each tooth and surface involved in all restorations; note each denture step as it occurs, including adjustments; and, if antibiotics or other medicines were used or prescribed, it is important that dosage be recorded.

Some Dental Assistants insist on having their employers view the daily records before returning these to the files. In many instances, when the Dental Assist-

ant is competent and maintains sufficient dental records, she often develops certain knowledge which enables her to answer the many questions, so frequently asked in the dental office. She should develop a practice to never leave the office without completing the records of the day.

Many offices find it convenient to use the envelope-type file containing records, radiographs, pathological reports and any other pertinent information concerning the patient and his family. However, there are various forms being used successfully.

Dental records are just as important as medical and hospital records and should be considered in the same manner.

Every Dentist would feel confident to be able to produce complete records and know that his are available and he is prepared to cope with emergencies as they may occur.

\*Contributing Editor

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## From Central Office Wires

ADAA General Secretary Joy Phillips and Executive Secretary Mary Martin, (as well as Margaret Swanson, Secretary of the ADHA), were invited by Dr. Hillenbrand, secretary of the ADA, to attend as guests, the ADA Ninth Annual State Secretaries' Management Conference, held in the ADA Central Office, June 10-12, 1957. There were lectures and discussions on many aspects of association work which were of interest to us, and the entire session was instructive. In some instances the matters considered were such that we could compare ADAA problems and situations and evaluate your own procedures. Reports were made to Board members of items of special interest. The cordial welcome and many courtesies extended by members of the ADA Staff, and State Secretaries present at the meeting, indicated recognition of, and friendliness toward the ADAA; and we were proud and happy to be your representatives.

**STATE ASSOCIATIONS AND LOCAL SOCIETIES:** Please study the copy of the proposed amendments to the ADAA By-Laws which was mailed to you during August, and the copy of the proposed amendment to the ADAA Articles of Incorporation mailed to you during September. Indicate your wishes to your State Officers so that your Delegates may be instructed to vote accordingly.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Delegates should also be instructed regarding the choice of your association of the nominees for ADAA offices. A list of the names and qualifications of those nominated appears in this issue of the journal.

**TO ALL MEMBERS** planning to attend the Annual Convention in Miami Beach—BE SURE to have your 1957 membership card with you to present at the registration desk. **DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES** should also have their credential cards, which will be forwarded to them from their State Secretaries during September. October 21st is the deadline for accepting 1957 memberships. Dues received in Central Office after November 1st will be credited for 1958 memberships.

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State Association: Oregon Dental Assistants Association

Date and Time: Saturday, October 12, 1957 at 1 o'clock P. M.

Place: Oregon University School of Dentistry.

Madge M. Tingley, Chr. O. S. D. A. A. Education Committee.

State Association: Ohio Dental Assistants Association

Date and Time: Sunday, October 6, 1957 at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

Place: Ransom & Randolph Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Wanda Brand, Chairman, O. S. D. A. A. Education Committee.

417½ South Clover Street, Fremont, Ohio.

State Association: Idaho Dental Assistants Association

Date: Saturday, September 28, 1957

Place: Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Ann Frey, Secretary-Treasurer, I. D. A. A.

130 Main Ave. N., Twin Falls, Idaho



# LAST CALL

from MIAMI

We are just two flips of the calendar pages away from the 1957 ADAA Convention, but there is still time to make your arrangements to attend. By the time you receive the next issue of *The Journal* it will be history, and if you don't attend all you will know about it is the highlights can be brought to you in the resume of activities in the report. Our plans are only one step from completion—we now need only your attendance. If you are still undecided—make up your mind NOW—mark off the dates—November 4-7—make your hotel and travel reservations according to instructions given you in previous issues of your journal—and we'll be seeing you! Following are some last minute reminders and suggestions to help you with your plans:

Help avoid confusion and delay at the Registration desk by making sure you have brought along your credentials—membership cards, and if you are a delegate or alternate, your instructions.

Limousine service from the airport and taxi service from the railroad and bus stations will be an item to consider when setting-up your budget. Due to the distance involved, fares will be in the vicinity of \$5.00. (Local members regret inability to meet everyone, but we are sure you understand.)

Wardrobe—an important item—essential, of course! Informality is to be the key note in Miami Beach. For sessions we suggest; cottons—for evenings, linens, silks or light garbardines (street length). Formals not necessarily required. Shorts (bermudas or jamaicas) peddle-pushers, and swimming suits absolutely essential! Just in case of "unusual weather" better bring along a light weight suit or top coat.

Convention program—the condensed schedule of events in this issue will give you a hint of what is in store for you—the educational program, hospitality events and entertainment features planned, should round out a full and interesting week—and there is lots to see and do in the free time or extra days you might spend in sunny Florida.

REMEMBER, this is YOUR convention—although the hostess society members have laid the plans, which we hope you will enjoy, the success of this meeting can only be measured by your attendance.

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## Condensed Schedule of Events for 33rd Annual Meeting

### SATURDAY, November 2, 1957

- Morning ..... 8:00 Examination for Certification—Card Room—Ivanhoe  
                               9:00 Board of Trustees Meeting—Colonnade Hotel—  
   T.V. Room
- Afternoon ..... 4:00  
   to  
   9:00 Registration, Main Lobby—Ivanhoe
- Evening ..... 7:00 Annual Dinner—Board of Trustees

### SUNDAY, November 3, 1957

- Morning ..... 9:00 Registration—Main Lobby to 4:00 P.M.  
                               9:00 Board of Trustees Meeting—Card Room
- Afternoon ..... 4:00  
   to  
   6:00 Tea "Hands Across The Nation," Empire Room

### MONDAY, November 4, 1957

- Morning ..... 8:00 Registration—Main Lobby  
                               9:00 General Meeting—Empire Room
- Afternoon ..... 1:00 Registration—Main Lobby  
                               2:00 House of Delegates 1st Session, Empire Room  
                               3:30 A.D.A.A. Clinics—Card Room
- Evening ..... 6:30 "District Night"

### TUESDAY, November 5, 1957

- Morning ..... 8:00 Registration—Main Lobby  
                               9:00 "Educational Forum"—Empire Room
- Afternoon ..... 1:00 Registration, Main Lobby  
                               2:00 House of Delegates 2nd Session, Empire Room
- Evening ..... 7:00 "Gone With The Wind" Banquet, Honoring President,  
   Mary Francis Dutton—Empire Room

### WEDNESDAY, November 6, 1957

- Morning ..... 8:00 Registration—Main Lobby  
                               9:00  
   to  
   11:30 Clinics A.D.A. & A.D.A.A., Dinner, Key Auditorium  
   11:30 Official Roll Call—Empire Room  
   12:00 Balloting—Card Room
- Afternoon ..... 2:00 Registration—Main Lobby  
                               3:00 House of Delegates 3rd Session—Empire Room

### THURSDAY, November 7, 1957

- Morning ..... 9:00 House of Delegates 4th Session—Empire Room  
   Presentation of Trophies  
   Installation of Officers
- Noon ..... 12:00 Board of Trustees Meeting  
   Retiring and Elected Board Members  
   Magdalene Kulstad, Program Chairman



# WHY I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING!

By RUTH MAINO, Jackson, Michigan

I once read that to know how to write—that is, how to put words together in a pleasing manner, and to put ideas together in an orderly fashion, one must be able to recognize a good story—something that will interest readers, but, more important, something that will impress the Editors.

I can not write a technical or scientific article which needs a good deal of research. But what is to keep me from writing the reasons why I love to attend a national meeting?

Maybe it is my inborn curiosity (woman fashion), but I truly believe it is because of my love for people, places and things.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—the men and women who make dental news cease to be mere names and come to life as human beings . . . Because—of the wonderful friendships I have made—these are my richest possessions and I shall grasp them with a miser's clutch.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—it is a bridge between what has gone before and what will come next—Because of the educational value I derive from learning new techniques and methods and of the new materials on the market, from the Clinicians and Essayists—these are perhaps the most beneficial to me.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—of the friendliness without the invasion of privacy—the speed with which a newcomer becomes a working member—the close relationship that exists between officers and members—the way the members of the official family manage to retain simplicity and an eagerness to please as they carry on their duties of leadership.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—the talk is mainly of Den-

tistry, and gossip is the one topic that is apt to be dull.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—it reveals so clearly the unselfish devotion to a cause of our past and present officers, committees and members—year after year they give so willingly of their time to make our meetings educational and interesting—and of the members of the Certification Board who spend many hours in their efforts to raise the standards of our vocation.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—I find the cities where they are held exciting and interesting.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—little do most of us know or care what is in the hearts of our members until we meet on a common ground at these sessions, and become friends. We leave better informed and in better spirits because of this opportunity to exchange ideas and viewpoints, and to become friends.

**I LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING BECAUSE**—it increases my awareness that Dentistry has an integral part in maintaining the health of the people in the world, and that we, as assistants, are an important part of a great profession rendering this health service. For ages the feminine sex has had a part in everything that supports civilization and for the good of humanity—music, art, charitable organizations, medicine and others. It seems only logical that they should play an important part in the profession of dentistry. Organization of our association has given us more recognition in the profession, and ours is an organization that will continue to grow as long as it remembers the more brilliant pages of our history and continues to follow in its best traditions.

Especially because of the above mentioned reasons I have not missed a national meeting since 1946—this is our



organization and our vocation—let's support it with our attendance at national meetings.

Why don't you plan to attend the

forthcoming one to be held in Miami Beach, Florida, November 4-7? I believe you, too, will LOVE A NATIONAL MEETING.

## Nominations for Elective A.D.A.A. Offices

For the office of President-Elect: **ELMA TROUTMAN**. Dental Assistant—14½ years. Member of ADAA—13 years. Certified. Member of Northern California Dental Assistants Association and San Francisco Dental Assistants Society. (Former members of Ohio State Dental Assistants Association.) Offices held in local: Secretary—Vice President—President. Offices held in State: 2nd Vice President—1st Vice President—President. Offices held in ADAA: 3rd District Trustee—General Secretary 2 yrs.—1st Vice President. Chairman of ADAA Committees: J.A.S. Birthday Party, 2 yrs.—Public Relations.

For the office of First Vice President: **VIRGINIA HOFFMAN**. Dental Assistant—25 years. Member of ADAA—19 years. Certified. Member of Pennsylvania State Dental Assistants Association and Pittsburgh Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. Offices held in State: Organized Pennsylvania State. Offices held in ADAA: 3rd District Trustee—4 years—3rd Vice President—2nd Vice President. Chairman of ADAA Committees: J.A.S. Scholarship. J.A.S. Relief.

For the office of Second Vice President: **LOIS KRYGER**. Dental Assistant—12 years. Member of ADAA—10 years. Certified. Member of Washington State Dental Assistants Association and Seattle District Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: Secretary and President (Spokane D.A. Society). Offices held in State: Secretary and President. Offices held in ADAA: 9th District Trustee—3rd Vice President. Chairman of ADAA Committees: J.A.S. Scholarship—Elections Committee—3 years.

For the office of Third Vice President:

**SALLY COCHRAN**. Dental Assistant—11 years. Member of ADAA—9½ years. Not Certified. Member of Pennsylvania State Dental Assistants Association and Erie County Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: Secretary—Vice President—President. Offices held in State: Secretary—Vice President—President Elect—President. Offices held in ADAA: None. Chairman of ADAA Committees: Pin-Nominating and Clinics & Exhibits.

For the office of General Secretary: **JOY PHILLIPS**. Dental Assistant—11½ years. Member of ADAA—11 years. Certified. Member of Arizona State Dental Assistants Association and Phoenix District Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: Secretary and President. Offices held in State: Secretary-Treasurer and President. Offices held in ADAA: 3rd Vice President—2nd Vice President—General Secretary—1 year. Chairman of ADAA Committees: J.A.S. Scholarship and J.A.S. Relief.

For the office of General Secretary: **CORINNE A. DUBUC**. Dental Assistant—20 years. Member of ADAA—16 years. Certified. Member of Rhode Island Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in State: Secretary—President Elect—President. Offices held in ADAA: 1st District Trustee (one term). Chairman of ADAA Committees: J.A.S. Birthday Party—Public Relations.

For the office of Treasurer: **HARRIETT DARLING**. Dental Assistant—26 years. Member of ADAA—17 years. Certified. Member of South Dakota State Dental Assistants Association and Huron Study Club. Offices held in local: All. Offices held in State: All. Offices held in ADAA: 7th District Trustee—Vice President, 3rd (2 terms)—General Sec-

retary, Treasurer (4 terms). Chairman ADAA Committees: Public Relations.

**FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP ON THE CERTIFICATION BOARD:**

**VIRGINIA CARPENTER** — Dental Assistant—20 years. Member of ADAA—17 years. Certified. Member of Tennessee State Dental Assistants and Memphis Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: President and Vice President. Offices held in State: President—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Vice Presidents. Chairman of State Education Committee—2 years. Chairman of ADAA Committee: Membership. Member of Examining Committee. Was Certified without examination. Has taken Extension Study Course. Has served as active member of ADACB—1 term.

**MADGE TINGLEY**—Dental Assistant—38 years. Member of ADAA—16 years. Certified. Member of Oregon State Dental Assistants Association and Portland Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: President and Secretary. Offices held in State: President, Secretary. Offices held in ADAA: 9th District Trustee—1 term of 3 years. Chairman of ADAA Committees: Pin. Chairman of State Education Committee: 6 years. times. Was Certified without Examination.

Has not taken Extension Study Course. Has not served as active member of ADACB.

**MARGARET CRAVE**—Dental Assistant—19 years. Member of ADAA—10 years. Certified. Member of Northern California Dental Assistants Association and San Francisco Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: President (2 yrs.)—Vice President—Secretary—Parliamentarian. Offices held in State: President and Vice President. Chairman of ADAA Committee: Education. Chairman of State Education Committee: 3 years. Member of Examining Committee: Four times. Was Certified with Examination. Has taken Extension Study Course. Has not served as active member of ADACB.

**MARGARET LEEDOM**—Dental Assistant—30 years. Member of ADAA—30 years. Certified. Member of Nebraska State Dental Assistants Association and Lincoln Dental Assistants Society. Offices held in local: All. Offices held in State: All. Chairman of State Education Committee: Many times. Member of Examining Committee: Many times. Was Certified without Examination. Has taken Extension Study Course. Has served as active member of ADACB—1 term.

**REPORTS FROM THE A.D.A. CERTIFICATION BOARD**

Since May 15, 1957 the following states held examinations for Certification: two in New York, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Missouri, Washington, Indiana, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut and Illinois.

246 qualified dental assistants took the examination.

205 passed the examinations and 41 failed.

5,032 assistants have been issued certificates to date.

These figures include the results of the Florida, Nebraska, Texas, Iowa and Kansas examinations which were not included in the last issue. The results of the Washington, one of the Indiana, Massachusetts, Illinois examinations have not yet been tabulated and will appear in the figures in the next issue.

**ANNETTE STOKER**, *Executive-Secretary* ....

A. D. A. C. B. Inc.

Examinations for Certification in 1958 will be held twice during the year on the same date all over the country. The dates will be announced at the annual meeting in Florida.

**VERA SPIES**, *Secretary-Treasurer*

A. D. A. C. B. Inc.

# YOU—A VICTIM OF CATACHRESIS?\*

By DAVID B. GURALNIK

Lexicographer and General Editor, Webster's New World Dictionaries

You may be suffering from it right now. Millions of people are. It's not inherited; it's only slightly contagious; and germs have nothing to do with it. In fact, it's self-inflicted. But you—and you alone—can remedy it.

The symptoms are easy to spot; embarrassment, frustration, and loss of prestige. They may appear at any time—while you're with friends, talking to the boss, reading your daily newspaper, listening to a speech.

For catachresis, as recorded in *Webster's New World Dictionary*, is the "incorrect use of a word or words . . ." And when you misuse words, you're apt to misunderstand them. The result is confusion.

If a man you have just met confided to you that he is a *bibliomaniac*, should you look for his keeper? Not if you know he's identifying himself as a book collector. Should you overhear your boss describe you as not too *punctilious*, would you reset your alarm clock? Don't. But you might start observing the nicer points of behavior. (Know what *nice* meant originally, by the way?) If you read in the paper that Senator Jones heaped *fulsome* praise on Governor Smith, are you sure you know just what Senator Jones did? *Fulsome*, of course, means 'disgusting or offensive, especially because of excess or insincerity.'

There is little doubt that there is a high correlation between the size of a person's vocabulary and his success in business or on the job. People who do well usually know more words than people who do not.

The ability to handle a large number of words is valuable for several reasons.

It enables you, first of all, to think



DAVID B. GURALNIK

more precisely, for in addition to helping you communicate with others, words also help you "talk to yourself." As long as you are not exact in the use of words within your own mind—and when you have a limited vocabulary, you cannot be—the thoughts into which you formulate them can never be exact, either.

For another thing, a person with a good control of words is able to make other people understand his ideas, believe them, and act on them. He has the first requisite of leadership.

Finally, men who understand words are better able to see both the unintentional confusion and the intentional smoke screens in what other men say. The better a person understands words, the better he can understand the poorly expressed ideas of sincere men and see through the skilled falsity of hypocrites. If everyone understood words perfectly,

it's doubtful whether dictators like Hitler, Stalin, or Mussolini could ever have swayed the masses of humanity that they did. As a citizen of a democracy, then, it is one of your duties to understand words.

How can you improve this understanding—and your own word power?

By knowing the derivation, meaning, and usage of every word you use. The best way to do this is to—

1. *Get the "dictionary habit."* When you read or hear an unfamiliar word, look it up in a reliable dictionary. Never be satisfied with guessing at the meaning—make sure. Familiarize yourself with its spelling, pronunciation, and all its possible meanings.

2. *Favor Precision over bombast.* It's more desirable to say just what you mean—no more, no less—than to smother your thoughts under "big" words. If you want to describe the fellow who told that amusing story so well last week, don't say, "Ed's propensity for narrating droll anecdotes is marked." Say, "Ed's a *raconteur*." You're saying the same thing in less time; hence, you're saying it more effectively. To gain precision, you will have to consult your dictionary often. And if you don't already own a thesaurus (a book of synonyms and antonyms arranged for easy reference), you should. Take a simple word like *say*. Look up *utter*, *blurt*, *affirm*, *declare*, *profess* and *allege*. Notice how many shades of *say* there are. Do that with more and more words. You'll be amazed at how your vocabulary will take on precision.

3. *Learn to respect and enjoy words.* Make them a hobby. They can be fun. What we call an apple started out as "a napple," but the "a" took the "n" to itself, and what custom joined together, no man has since put asunder. Words big and little have their biographies and when you get to know them, the words become old familiar friends with which you associate more easily and admiringly. Just out of curiosity, look up the histories of *mercurial*, *quidnunc*, *flamboyant*,

*cicerone*, *malapropism*. You'll never forget them.

4. *Learn to analyze words.* Most words can be broken down into their component parts and understood that way. The beginning of a word—the prefix—is often a clue to its meaning. Learn the meanings of the most common prefixes and you have a powerful vocabulary aid. *Ante-*, for example, means "before." *Anti-* means "against." *Inter-* signifies "between." *Ex-* stands for "out of." Knowing these—and others—will help you make intelligent guesses of words' meanings—until you can check them with a dictionary. Then learn the more common suffixes (word endings like *-ment*, *-ible*, *-tion* and *-ous*) and you'll be well on your way toward an expanding vocabulary.

5. *Draw on your background.* If you're of French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, or Romanian descent and are familiar with your ancestral tongue (or studied any of these languages in school), you have a vocabulary advantage. They are all descendants of Latin, the language of ancient Rome; hence, their name—Romance languages. More than half of the English language derives from Latin too, directly or indirectly. Thus, these languages have much in common. If, for example, you know that the French word for "friend" is *ami*, you should know the meanings of such English words as *amiable*, *amiable* and *amity*. If you know that *arbol* means "tree" in Spanish, you ought to breeze through *arboriculture*, *arborial* and *arborous*.

There you have them—five steps toward a larger, more powerful vocabulary. Take them one at a time and you're sure to see results.

Think of words as muscles. The more you have and the more you exercise them, the stronger your vocabulary will be. It's the only known cure for catachresis.

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# SELF ANALYSIS

By MARGARET CRAVE, San Francisco, Calif

In a moment of reflection do you ever take the time to apply self analysis? It might prove to be educational and alarming to find that we waste time, rather than having the ability to budget it and thereby have more time for self-improvement, education, many activities and relaxing hobbies. In the following paragraphs perhaps you will find some suggestions that might be an aid to your living a more happy, wholesome life.

## SELF EVALUATION OF YOUR ABILITY AS A DENTAL ASSISTANT:

Are you able to competently fulfill your obligations to your employer and the patients you come in contact with daily?

Do you take advantage of Study Courses offered by the American Dental Assistants Association and your Society?

Whenever possible do you attend clinics and other educational exhibits offered? Even though you may be limited in application of the knowledge gained through these methods it is never time wasted to attend and take advantage of the opportunities. It is a smart dental assistant who can be aware of discussions that might be going on around her or by the Doctor among his patients and other fellowmen. Perhaps your next employer might expect these techniques and procedures done in his office as a matter of course. Be alert and ready.

## ANALYSIS OF YOUR PERSONAL HEALTH AND APPEARANCE:

Do you have a physical checkup regularly, including blood tests, eye tests, and the kindred things which can help you be in better health?

Do you have a prophylaxis every six months? X-rays, including a full mouth, annually? We cannot exhibit our smile of good dental health with dental neglect such as broken silicate fillings, missing teeth, and decay present. After a patient

may ask you if you have had this or the other done to you and how nice it is to be able to open your mouth and exhibit dental restorations done by your Doctor. What a selling point it can be at times. Above all, we should be able to have that good feeling of having good dental hygiene.

Do you wear the regulation uniform, shoes, hose and use proper make-up and in moderation? What is the regulation uniform you say? Spotless white with long or three quarter sleeves, white shoes, white hose (when possible). When choosing shoes, the regulation nurses oxfords with medium or low heels but most of all, comfortable ones . . . never open toe sandals or dressy high heels. Today the styles offer many neat and attractive ones to choose from. Carefully watch those shoe laces, they may need changing frequently. Either wash them or replace them with new ones. This is a small but important matter. Never wear excess jewelry. If possible, wear the regulation cap (this denotes a distinction from persons wearing white uniforms who are in other types of work). If you are a member of the American Dental Assistants Association there is a pin available to be worn with pride and dignity. If you are a Certified member there is an emblem wreath for your cap and pin. When it is necessary to wear a sweater, choose white by all means. Fingernails should be clean and well manicured with clear polish only. These regulations are given to us by the American Dental Assistants Association.

A point that is important (even your best friends won't tell you) is halitosis. Be on your guard at all times. No one has your interest at heart like yourself. That is why we have to be so aware of the foregoing thoughts and suggestions.

## ANALYSIS OF YOURSELF PSYCHOLOGICALLY:

Do you know why people think and act as they do?

Do you have prestige among other fellow Dental Assistants?

Are you able to live harmoniously in a complex society?

Do you understand yourself? You know your greatest resource in living is yourself.

Are you still trying to grow up mentally? Do not be content with an immature attitude toward life.

Lastly, are you honest and sincere? Are you happy in the vocation you chose?

Success is not an intangible proposition. Persistent effort intelligently applied spells SUCCESS for you. Let us not only learn, LET'S BECOME. Finally, remember you will never be told to study and improve in all elements of wisdom and skill. The world is moving forward and if you would keep up with it, you must be able to do tomorrow what you cannot accomplish today.

## Our Important Student Members

One important advantage we have over dental assistants of a few years ago is that we have a number of approved schools to which we can refer young women wishing to enter the field of dental assisting. This is the result of constant effort on the part of ADAA, whose aim and purpose is to create educational opportunities for dental assistants. Thru the years many advances have been made, and with continued deliberate effort, dental assisting will emerge a recognized profession.

We as members of our association have an obligation to ourselves as well as the young woman we have referred to the approved school. We must tell her of the privilege of joining ADAA as a student member, and of her opportunity to apply for the Juliette A. Southard Scholarship Award, offered annually to the outstanding student member who has completed the first semester or three month probationary period. Not only does student membership fill an important place in her education, but it prepares her for participation in association affairs when she is actively employed, and she advances into active membership.

Local Societies where approved schools are located should begin their campaign for the year *now* to bring student members into their fold. Make your invitation a most cordial and appealing one. We suggest dues for these young people be in keeping with ADAA policy. (Student

member dues are \$2.00.) Many students are unable to join us if the dues are beyond their means, and many are living on a limited budget.

The approved schools are doing a fine job in providing trained personnel for the dental profession. The graduates of these schools throughout our country will one day be the leaders of our association, and it would be ideal for them to begin their careers as student members.

In this connection we wish to express our appreciation to the Directors of the Departments of Dental Assisting in the approved schools for urging their students to join us as student members and encouraging them to apply for the JAS Scholarship Award. This year the award was won by Miss Carol Yamamisaka, a student at Los Angeles City College, and a member of the Los Angeles Dental Assistants Society. Winning the award will make it possible for Carol to complete the second year of her training.

Individually and collectively, we must continue to strive for one hundred percent student membership enlistment, more scholarship applications, and ultimately more scholarships. By doing this, we share our own achievements in fuller measure and we help many along the road to success.

LOIS KRYGER, *Chairman*

HARRIETT DARLING

MARY HANEY

JAS Scholarship Committee



## MY \$6.00

When our President took office she challenged us, as members of the American Dental Assistants Association to "ADVANCE", and to work together so as to continue the advancement of our Association. This set me to thinking. What could every member of our Association do which would advance the work of the ADAA. Our Officers, committee chairmen, and committee members would be giving many hours time in the interest of the organization, but what about the individual member—what would she be doing? Then, I thought about our dues and the increase which our delegates had approved. Here was one way every member would be doing a share. Of course, I knew that my \$6.00 all by itself could do very little, but combined with the dues from 8000 members could do a great deal. So, with interest I have watched my investment to see to what good use it was being put.

First, since November we have another full time employee in Central Office. Dorothy Kowalczyk is now assistant to our Executive Secretary, Mary Martin. She is learning all phases of the work and will relieve Mary of some of the many details. This year she will be in Miami to assist our Secretaries and thus relieve some of the pressure of the many jobs to be done during Annual Meeting.

Because of the increase in dues, money was available to pay expenses of our Public Relations Chairman and Membership Chairman to Chicago in February during the Mid-winter Dental Meeting. These girls made very important contacts and much ground work was laid which will aid in the advancement of our organization for some years to come. In addition to other valuable helps we are being given an assist by the ADA. In our forthcoming membership drive. Flyers giving information on our Annual Meeting programs will be distributed at

the registration desk of the ADA. in Miami. We are hoping that thru these "flyers" many dentists will visit one or more of the sessions during the Annual Meeting.

Our General Secretary, Joy Phillips and Executive Secretary, Mary Martin were invited to attend a Conference of Secretaries in Chicago and sponsored by the ADA. Since money was available to pay the expense they were able to accept the invitation, and gained information which will be a great help in their work.

In October the ADAA. will realize something which has been a dream for a long time. A Workshop planned to discuss the education for dental assistants is to be held in Chicago. The steering committee has spent two years in preparation for this workshop. Attending will be Deans from many Dental schools throughout the country, members of the ADA. Council on Dental Education, and members representing the American Dental Assistants Association. Due to the increase in our dues making funds available, we will be able to participate in this workshop and have our members attend.

As we promised, our eleven Trustees received a substantial increase in their allotment to help them in the wonderful job they are doing of organization and extension.

Additional equipment has been purchased for Central Office, and in Central Office the girls are preparing the membership lists for microfilming. This is being done first to preserve this valuable information, and to conserve storage space.

In addition to the above mentioned, a portion of our dues is placed in the Journal Fund. For this we receive six copies per year of *The Dental Assistant* which continues to bring us interesting



and educational articles, plus news and information of association activities.

As is usually the case when we are approached to spend a little of our money some of our members elected not to rejoin. They did not care to invest an additional \$2.00, a total of \$6.00 to aid in the work of the association which has done so much for us in return. I am confident, however, that they will see how much they are missing and will rejoin in the near future.

I'm pleased with what has been done with my investment, and am sure that you, too, feel that your six dollars has played an important part in the advancement of our Association.

LILLIAN HOFFMAN, *Chairman*  
Budget and Finance Committee.

#### From the Editor's Desk—

The November-December issue of THE DENTAL ASSISTANT will not be mailed until late in November or early in December. It will be delayed in order to enable us to include in it the report of the ADAA thirty-third annual session to be held in Miami Beach, Florida, November 4-7.

Beginning with the January-February issue we plan to start running in each issue a page of helpful hints. Please start NOW sending your "hints" to Janet Lindenberg, 816 First National Bank Bldg., Peoria, Illinois. Janet will be responsible for copy for this page in each issue of 1958, and she will depend on the membership for the material.

## An Open Letter to the Dental Profession

Dear Doctor:

Last year, in Philadelphia alone, 500 persons lost their sight due to disease or eye accidents! Statistics show that more than 60% of these cases could have prevented loss of sight by regular eye examinations and accident-prevention measures!

These figures are responsible, in part for the intensive public information drive of the Philadelphia Association for the Blind's PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS DEPARTMENT. This department uses films, lectures, exhibits, displays, literature, and demonstrations of all types in an effort to educate the public in effective prevention of blindness.

Recently a case of injury to a Dentist's eye, caused by a flying bit of enamel, was brought to our attention. This prompted a desire on the part of our department to investigate the case incidence of such injuries or infections to Dentists caused by flying fragments of enamel, dentin, calculus, etc.

We would greatly appreciate hearing from you or the members of your organization about any information you may have relevant to this subject . . . any cases known to you . . . your opinion on safety glasses . . . any preventive measures you may be employing and their efficiency.

Your cooperation on this research project will be a valuable help to our department. Your response will supply us with the data that is a prime prerequisite to the compilation of a comprehensive program.

*Very sincerely yours,*  
DAVID C. SUTTON, Supervisor

Write to:

Prevention of Blindness Department  
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# LEADERSHIP

By RUTH COLLINS

We have all the proof we need that any person or group of persons, large or small, requires leadership. Leading can be a showing of the way in attitude, in objectivity and in action. Yet while we need direction and precedence in our thinking and in setting a course in activation, life with relation to our duties and endeavors essentially must mean more and be more than a sort of guided tour in which we merely follow a leader.

That we require leadership thus is admitted, but at the same time we assume the obligation of giving guidance as well as in falling in behind leadership. In one sense, we follow: in another complete sense, we are followed and thus we are needed to conduct others in their thought, in purpose, and in action, even as we have needed to be led, and shown by example, and taken by the hand through helpful steps along certain paths to where we are, and where we are going.

In our duties and endeavors as Dental Assistants, we must realize we are not wholly subservient to any single essence of leadership. Our challenge is a specialized one, broad and many sided. Primarily, we must affirm in mind that our capacity as Dental Assistants definitely is one of versatility and of considerable importance. In this connection, we readily recognize well defined qualities of leadership in the professional man whom we are striving, each as an individual, to serve. It is not for us to assume the leadership which is his; yet we must lend an element of leadership through service, and at once to render service through leadership. Actually, while we follow, we also lead. Now, how can we better serve as we follow and simultaneously provide leadership? The answer should be immediately clear to us. As Dental Assistants, we have our own

code of principles which I am sure we all have been well over and understand them as providing the guidance we need to follow and lead. Please permit this suggestion and recommendation—that we review them frequently and reflectively in our respective minds, that in our challenging and often exacting day to day experiences we find new and refreshingly appropriate interpretation in them.

What our professional men and we dental assistants are doing, in a general sense, is selling dental health in one way or another, plus the boundless benefits being made available to mankind through the vitality and integrity of efficient dental service and care. Yes, we are closely knit with the dentist in this, a wonderfully realistic fact, of which I am sure we all are sufficiently aware.

Let us stop, now and then, to search the phraseology of our pledge as dental assistants: that, according studied example, we may personify only top quality leadership in that which is given us to do.

Let us recognize this anew and provide top quality leadership through example with respect, first of all, to our own individual oral health and appearance, to our professional bearing, and to our personality and performance for all the world to see and appreciate. Also, let us kindle our Enthusiasm, intensify our effort and application through understanding and intelligence. We should vitalize our sense of Loyalty in the collective aim to serve Efficiently with warmth of sincerity and cheerfulness of spirit. In doing THIS, while we follow, we likewise lead and meanwhile capture the full meaning of the key word in Dental Assistant Service—leadership.

NB: This article was taken from the paper given at the Sixth Mid-Winter Conference in Pasadena, California.

## "Give and It Shall Be Given Unto You"

"Give and it shall be given unto you good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." St. Luke 6-38

The Juliette A. Southard Relief Fund is well known to most members of the ADAA but there are always some new members who may not be so familiar with it.

This Fund has been available since 1944 to members of our organization who are in need. It was established in memory of our founder, Juliette A. Southard, and named in her honor. The custom has been for each local society to celebrate Mrs. Southard's birthday, September 25th, with a party and donating the proceeds from these parties to the Fund.

During these past years many girls have been given aid. In their darkest hour, not knowing where to turn, a fellow member or their local society has suggested the J.A.S. Relief Fund.

Last year, in the July-August issue of the Dental Assistants Journal, Joy Phillips had a very wonderful article on "A Two-Way Program—Giving and Receiving". This year I would like to continue on this same thought. Please read again the quotation above, "Give and it shall be given unto you". Let's consider it from other than a material standpoint.

When you pass a blind man on the street and you put some coins in his cup, when you buy a pencil from a person crippled from multiple sclerosis, when you buy a tag as a contribution to The Children's Hospital, when you contribute to the Red Cross and the Community Fund, and the many other very worthy causes, do you not have a wonderful

happy feeling that you are doing something good and worthwhile? Are you not able to go to your office with more zest and enthusiasm, greet your patients with more friendliness, and the end of the day, leave with a feeling of gratefulness, humility, and thankfulness that you were able, from the goodness of your heart, to help a fellow-being. When you read the list of donors to the J.A.S. Relief Fund and see the name of *Your* State among them, you immediately have this wonderful feeling because you know *You* are a part of it. *You* have helped to ease the worry and load of a financial burden of one of your fellow dental assistants who has fallen a victim of illness and circumstances.

The recipient of a grant from our Fund this year writes, "I was just overwhelmed with gratitude. One never realizes what great kindness there is in the world until life is at a pretty low ebb and then thoughtfulness such as that which has been extended me by the consideration of the J.A.S. Committee, gives the needed boost to carry on". It was *You* who helped this girl.

There is no doubt that each of us feels that every girl in our association is our friend. If our friend is ill and in trouble, we want to help and the light of *friendship* is like the light of phosphorous, seen plainest when all around it is dark.

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it for I shall not pass this way again".

VIRGINIA HOFFMAN, *Chairman*  
J.A.S. Relief Fund

## "People Are Funny"

By NANCY POPE

This is a rhyme about some people  
who're funny ---

Like the kind who'll give you a run for  
your money!

You know 'em all—you see them each  
day,

They say, "My denture won't fit, so why  
should I pay?"

You smile and say, "A year's a lo-ng time  
Not to call or come by or drop us a line.  
Doctor would be glad to check your  
trouble;

But not hearing from you just makes  
trouble DOUBLE!"

Then those who call at five P. M.,  
And say in a voice all tired and grim,  
"For two whole weeks I've had a tooth-  
ache,

But I'm too busy an appointment to make.  
So you have the doctor stay there tonight,  
'Cause I need some sleep between now  
and daylight!"

We good Assistants apply the Golden  
Rule,  
So 'stead of muttering, "You darned ole  
fool!"

We smile and say, "one moment please--  
Then, "Come right on—your pain we'll  
ease."

We're all inclined to become slightly up-  
set,

At the number of *friends* the doctor can  
get

Lined up during only one little golf  
game

To "Call anytime—just give your name!"

Then in come the friends saying gayly  
to me,

"I know the doc well;—playing golf, you  
see.

Just slip me in—it won't take a minute!"  
We TRY to be tactful, but this is the  
limit!

Some people call—about to DIE,  
Announcing that six months has long  
gone by

And we promised to remind them to  
come in --

"Do you have no efficiency in that hor-  
rible den??"

We grit our teeth and to ourselves we  
say,

"Why did this nut have to call TODAY!"  
But we take a deep breath and again  
we smile,

Apologizing and "sweet-talking" all the  
while.

We make an appointment—what do  
they do?

*Break it;*—and leave us to sit there and  
stew!

Of course we all face the ones in a hurry  
Who, kept waiting ten minutes, get all  
in a flurry—

We explain, apologize, and with all our  
might

Try to coax and cajole him into seeing  
our plight.

And isn't it strange—tho' most folks are  
nice,

The few who are *not* we don't have to  
meet twice

To remember their attitude—and prob-  
ably their name,

While the nice ones we're prone to forget  
in this game.

I'm trying to borrow, from one I know  
well,

A philosophy which often I've heard him  
sell.

It's regarding these people we refer to  
as "funny",

And it goes like this. He says to me,  
"Honey,—

Don't-let-her-bother-you; she's okay,  
She just hasn't lived exactly our way.

Understand her better and then you'll see  
She's a nice enough person—much like  
you and me.

I try this as often as I possibly can,  
And you'd be surprised—be it woman or  
man—

What a change it can make in the way  
I feel

Toward these "funny people" with whom  
we deal.

# Workshop On the Education and Certification Of Dental Assistants to be Held

The Council on Dental Education will sponsor a Workshop on the Education and Certification of Dental Assistants on October 2-4, 1957, in the Central Office of the American Dental Association in Chicago.\*

Up to the present time, the American Dental Association has not recommended educational standards for the dental assistant, but during the past few years there has been an increasing interest demonstrated by the members of the dental profession and the Assistants Association in evaluating the educational needs of the dental assistant. One of the first considerations in the development of educational standards for any occupation is the definition of these duties and responsibilities, and the identification of the knowledge and abilities needed by the assistant to discharge her responsibilities, that will be the primary objective of the workshop.\*

The workshop will be moderated by Dr. Maynard K. Hine, chairman of the Council's Committee on the Training of

Dental Assistants and dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry.\*

Resource information will be available for the discussions at the workshop but, basically, the value and usefulness of the suggestions that will come out of the meeting will depend upon the ideas and experience of the persons who attend.\*

We hope, therefore, that a number of interested and experienced assistants can arrange to attend this workshop.

The nature of a workshop-type meeting requires that attendance be limited and it is planned to register 60 participants for this session.\*

Hotel reservations for workshop participants have been made.\* If you can arrange to attend, and you want your accommodations arranged for you, notify Mr. Reginald Sullens, Associate Secretary Council on Dental Education, American Dental Association, 222 East Superior Street, Chicago 11, Ill.

\*Information released from the office of Associate Secretary, Council on Dental Education, American Dental Association.

## So—You Thought You Knew!

By LORRAINE GLAUSIER, Contributing Editor

SO—One of your duties is securing the program material, speakers etc., for your State Association. What office are you holding for this duty to be assigned to you?

SO—You won the trophy awarded for the winning essay presented at your state association's convention. Upon winning this trophy, of what committee did you automatically become chairman?

SO—You are serving as Chairman of the State Membership Committee next

year. What office will you be holding in your state association while you serve as this chairman?

SO—We, in the state and national association, have a relief fund. What is the name of this fund, and how do you file application for securing aid?

SO—You have your ADAA pin. Where should it be worn to be in its proper place?

SO—You have an inquiry you think the Judicial and Legislation Committee

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should act upon. What action must be taken by you before this committee is in a position to act?

SO—You are chairman of the Clinic Committee. What are your specific duties?

SO—You have classified committees written into your by-laws. What are the standing committees? Special Committees? Convention Committees?

SO—You are "just a member" in your society and association. How strong would we be without the multitude of "just members"?

SO—You would like to know the answers to these questions.

SO—I don't have the answers for you here. You can learn them by studying your ADAA and state by-laws. It was from there these questions were taken.

## When and Where

AMERICAN DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION: Thirty-Third Annual Session, Nov. 4-7, 1957; Headquarters: Hotel Ivanhoe, Miami Beach, Florida. President: Mary Francis Dutton, 881 Laurel Ave., Macon, Ga.; General Secretary, Joy Phillips, 3041 W. Pierson, Phoenix, Arizona; Executive Secretary, Mary L. Martin, 410 First National Bank Bldg., La Porte, Indiana.

COLORADO DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION: October 6-9, 1957; Headquar-

ters: Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colorado. President: Betty Jane Armagost, 1105 7th Street, Greeley, Colorado. Sec-Treas.: Daisy Madrigal, 2210 18th Street, Boulder, Colorado.

GEORGIA DENTAL ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION. September 29-October 1, 1957. Headquarters, Dinkler Plaza Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.; President, Mary Price, 115 E. Gwinnett St., Savannah, Ga.; Secretary, Claire Williamson, 310 Medical Arts Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

### WE GOOFED—

Please disregard the information of ADAA Committee Chairmen listed on page 21 of the July-August issue, and charge us with an error. Copy of 1956 Chairmen was inserted through error—Following is a correct listing of the name and addresses of the 1957 A. D. A. A. Committee Chairmen.—Editor.

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# Views of the NEWS

BY MARION SMALL



*The great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are going.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.*

## FIRST DISTRICT

*News from Massachusetts*

The 24th Annual Massachusetts Dental Assistants Association meeting was held in Boston on May 7-8. This was an outstanding meeting, well attended, featuring many educational clinics, lectures and films. Honored guest was Phyllis Jenkins, First District ADAA Trustee. Our sincere congratulations to the 38 Massachusetts members who took their Certification Examination in June.

## SECOND DISTRICT

*News from New York*

The Richmond County Society had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Sidney Mandell present "Business Management in the Dental Office" at their September meeting. In October, Dr. Eugene Atlas will speak to this group on "X-rays—Value and Technique".

In September, the Pelton members spoke and gave a clinic on "Sterilization by Autoclave" at the meeting of the Triple Cities Society. To mark the second anniversary of this society, an auction of handmade articles and baked goods provided their contribution to the ADAA Juliette Southard Relief Fund. Dr. Edgar Schmidt of Binghampton will speak on "Inlays—Carvings and Drawings" at their October meeting.

The Dental Assistants Study Club of the Second District started another Extension Study Course last month. At their October meeting, this group will have the pleasure of hearing a clinic, "Patient Education" presented by Fanny Cohen, as well as a lecture on "Hypnosis" given by Dr. Benjamin Kornfeld.

At the Annual Installation Banquet, Dr. Edward J. Jahringer delighted the members of the Buffalo Society with slides on flowers.

In September, the First District Society heard Mr. Gilbert Brown, representative of the Dentists Supply Company, present a film on "Beautiful Necessity".

Jean Gallup of the Nassau County Dental Assistants Society announces encouraging progress in the registration for their Extension Study Course which will start this month.

Mariann V. Gall, President, New York State

Dental Assistants Association, tells us how proud she is of the Nassau County group for being awarded the Membership Plaque and the Richmond Society for winning the Gertrude Carhart Clinic Trophy. May we add our congratulations too?

## THIRD DISTRICT

*News from Ohio*

Pauline Holb, Publicity Chairman, writes about the outstanding meeting the Akron Society had in September at which time they heard a lecture on "Sterilization" given by Mr. E. W. Bierer, representative of the American Sterilization Company.

The Toledo Dental Assistants Society celebrated an important event in the history of this lively society when it gathered together for a gala 30th Anniversary Banquet. Nine of its sixteen past presidents were on hand for this affair and each was honored with a lovely corsage for her part in the society's past history. Marie Renz, Vice President, presented to Barbara Riehle, retiring president, the Award of Merit. Another feature was the traditional candlelight ceremony for the installation of officers with Laura Armanini, Ohio State President and honored guest, acting as Installation officer. A delightful program of comic fashions and entertainment was given by the members of the Toledo society as the closing part of the celebration.

Dorothy Zimmerman reports the activities of the Keely Dental Assistants Society whose members meet every month during the summer and suspend activities during January and February because of bad weather conditions and the distance its members have to travel. The May meeting of this group was the scene of the traditional Candlelight Ceremony for the installation of new officers with Marianita Wilson and Urcell Jackson serving as Installing and Conducting Officers. Dr. Dillon Rhodenbaugh was guest speaker and presented an interesting lecture and colored slides on "Unusual Cases in Oral Surgery". This meeting was held in Middletown, Ohio. The June meeting held in Oxford, was featured by a tour of the new hospital led by Mr. Wilks, City Hos-

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Carole Yamamiska, of Los Angeles City College, receiving a Juliette A. Southard Scholarship. On her left is Magdelene Kulstad, president-elect of the American Dental Assistants Association. On her right the Director of Los Angeles City College, Dr. John Lombardi.

pital Administrator. July brought the Annual Picnic at LeSourdsville Lake and Dr. William Duvendeck presented an interesting lecture on "Orthodonita" to the Keeley members at their August meeting.

The Cleveland Dental Assistants Society held its Candlelight Installation Service with Laura Armanini, Ohio State President, serving as Installing Officer.

The Stark County Society celebrated its Annual "Bosses Night" and installation of officers in May with a banquet held in the South Room of the St. Francis Hotel in Canton. Dr. C. L. Pressler, President, Stark County Dental Society, served as Installing Officer, Mary Jane Bener, Immediate Past President of the Stark County Dental Assistants Society, served as Conducting Officer and Mrs. Pressler, President, Stark County Dental Society Auxiliary, presided at the Table of Friendship. Other honored guests at this meeting included Dr. Paul Hobe, Immediate Past President and Dr. George Wagner, Secretary, Stark County Dental Society. Guest speaker, Mr. Lou Myers of the United Personnel Adjustment Bureau, presented his talk on "Collections". Doris Glass, Past President, presented the Adelia Digel-Doris Glass Clinic Trophy to Beverly Cox for her winning clinic, "Flasking". The winning Poster, titled "Ready to Serve" was

made by Marie Wolf and will compete at the Annual State Meeting in October. At the June meeting of this group, Dr. H. V. Denzer presented an interesting lecture and colored slides on "The Dark Room". Their Annual Picnic at Ink Park featured a "Pig in a Poke" auction for the benefit of the treasury.

The Ohio State Dental Assistants Association held its Mid-Year meeting at the Commodore Perry Hotel in Toledo. Honored guests at this educational get-together were Dr. Gary Wright, President of the Toledo Dental Society and Alicia B. King, Trustee, ADAA Third District. Our best wishes to the eleven Ohio members who took their Certification Examination during this meeting. Thanks to Alberta Reed for her Ohio news!

#### FOURTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Florida*

Our warmest congratulations to the Florida State Dental Assistants Association and their Editor, Dorothy Perry, on the "Excavator's" NEW LOOK! Growing up from the former mimeographed sheet into such a wonderful newspaper is no small undertaking and a sure sign of progress and ambition! It is your Editor's hope that these will be on display at the forthcoming ADAA meeting so that every State Editor will have the opportunity of see-

ing what the Florida girls are giving to their members in their "Excavator"!

The Jackson Society had the privilege of hearing Miss Elizabeth Reed of the Florida State Board of Health speak at a recent meeting. Orchids to Shirley Walker, Sue Addy, Doris Garrard and Marlene Bramlett, Jacksonville members who were capped in July! Jane Hotte, President, Jacksonville Society, had the pleasure of presenting caps and certificates to the recent graduates of the Dental Research Clinic in Jacksonville!

The Miami Society heard an interesting lecture on "Lighting" given by Mrs. E. Clarke, Home Economist for the Florida Power and Light Company, at their July meeting. Other honored guests were Florida's Immediate Past President, Ruth Brush, and dental assistants Barbara Woolsey, Beverly Collins and Joyce Henderson. Congratulations to the eleven Miami assistants who were capped in a lovely ceremony at their September meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. Guy Troph invited the Tampa Dental Assistants Society to open house and buffet dinner at their new office in June. They heard a talk on "Parliamentary Procedure" given by Marguerite Hoobler and saw pictures of their past functions.

The Orlando Assistants had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Stark speak on ways they could improve their society and an excellent clinic by Martha Marsula on "Hints".

The Broward County DA's heard a paper on "Dental Assisting" given by Gloria Wills and all our best wishes to Judy Deem, Kathy Wolfe and Sue Oulette, newly certified members of this group! "Surgical Procedure of Implant Dentures" was the topic of Dr. Kenneth Whitson's lecture at their May meeting. Recipients of their annual trophies were Loretta Coggins, Cooperation Trophy, Edie Dickinson, Loyalty Trophy and Lucy Andrews, Service Trophy.

#### *News from Alabama*

After a summer vacation which included a lovely picnic at Guntersville Lake, the Cullman Dental Assistants Society held their September meeting in Dr. Jack Vogel's office with Dr. Vogel as their guest speaker. Next month they will have the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Gladys Bright speak when they meet in Dr. Bledsoe's office.

In August, the Fifth District Dental Assistants Society heard the "A B C's of The Dental Assistant" given by Erna Ruth Currie. Last month Phyllis Weaver spoke on "Diet and Nutrition" and in October Mrs. Julia Warnock will be heard speaking on "Basic Red Cross First Aid".

The Birmingham Society has had the privilege of hearing such outstanding lectures as "Oral Surgery" by Dr. George Matthews, "Diet and Nutrition" by Dr. John Dunbar and will hear Dr. V. D. Cooper speak to them next

month on "Inlay Technique". In November they will show their appreciation to all these and other fine doctors who have made their meetings so worthwhile by having a "Bosses Night"!

September was a big month for the Dothan Dental Assistants Society when they had a "Family Night". In October they will have the pleasure of hearing Dr. Garner speak on "Cancer of the Breast". My sincere thanks to Bonnie Franklin for all this fine Alabama news!

#### **FIFTH DISTRICT**

##### *News from Tennessee*

The 28th Annual Session of the TSDAA was held in Gatlinburg in May and from all reports, it was most successful. If beauty of surroundings has anything to do with an inspiring meeting, this one could not miss. (Your Editor had the pleasure of driving through Gatlinburg a year ago and, outside of Tucson, Arizona, it is the most beautiful resort town I have ever seen!) The program, under the supervision of Clara Blackwell, President, was a credit to the profession. Included on the agenda of interesting speakers were Dr. W. R. Alstadt, President-Elect, ADA; Dr. Miles Markley who spoke on "The Control of Dental Caries by Simple and Effective Means"; Dr. Frank Lamons of Atlanta who lectured on "What Do You Say to The Patient?" and Col. Robert Shira, Washington D. C. who spoke on "Surgical Correction of Facial Deformities". Congratulations to Marie Crane, Nancye Pope and Ann Lanier for winning First Place Tro-

## **POST CONVENTION CRUISE**

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phies for their clinic, paper and poster! At the impressive installation ceremony, Olive Steinbeck, Fifth District ADAA Trustee, served as Installing Officer while Elsie Emory of Knoxville served as Conducting Officer. These Tennessee members can be justly proud of their untiring efforts in furthering the education of their fellow members. There are now three Extension Study Courses in progress with another in the process of organization.

#### SIXTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Wisconsin*

Congratulations to the nineteen members of the Wausau Dental Assistants Society who completed their Extension Study Course and best wishes to all those eligible to take the Certification Examination this fall. Dr. John Keefee acted as Master of Ceremonies at a lovely dinner party given by this group for all their instructors.

##### *News from Illinois*

The Centralia Dental Assistants Society celebrated their First Anniversary in July with a meeting at the Salad Bowl in Salem. Mr. Vic Vance presented a very interesting program on "Automobile, Fire and Life Insurance". Their September meeting, held in Centralia, featured the lovely installation ceremony for their new officers.

The Chicago Dental Assistants Sixth Extension Study Course Class was examined on June 26th with twenty members taking the examination. Good luck!

The Decatur Dental Assistants Society closed its summer season with a banquet at the Decatur Club and Installation of new officers with Helen Knoedler of Springfield, 3rd Vice President of the Illinois Association, serving as Installing Officer and Maurine Wheeler, Bloomington as Conducting Officer. Donna Clark, Springfield, State Secretary, and Fran Bozarth, Bloomington, Immediate Past President of McLean County, served at the Table of Friendship. Dr. Walter Winter of Decatur was the guest speaker.

The Fox River Valley Society's Extension Study Course was begun in September. Congratulations! Maurine Wheeler, Illinois Publicity Chairman, was one of the ten assistants Capped at the ceremony in Peoria in June. She is the first member of the McLean County Society to become Certified and is hoping that, in the near future, an Extension Study Course will be planned in that area. Congratulations to my efficient Illinois Reporter, Maurine Wheeler! The Northwest District Society is also planning to start an Extension Study Course in the near future!

The Peoria Dental Assistants Society held its first Capping Ceremony in June. Janet Lindenberg, Education Chairman, presented the class and Alma Kreider, Marion Callahan and Florence Paine capped and presented the certificates to: Virginia Behrens, Marjorie

Fowler, Jeanne Martin, Patricia Bergstrom, June Bower and Barbara Volz of Peoria; Wanda Watson, Pekin; Pauline Milby and Irma Morris, Mason City; and Maurine Wheeler, Bloomington. Dr. Russell Burke, President of the Peoria District Dental Society and Dr. P. L. Chain, Past President, were the guest speakers.

Your Editor received copies of "Impressions of the Western Illinois Dental Assistants Society Meetings" from Juanita Little. This is a wonderful newsletter put out by that hard working "Little" gal who is their local Membership Chairman as well as President-Elect of the Illinois State Association. I know that all of you are privileged to receive this newsletter, enjoy her "Impressions" and it will be a big help in increasing your membership. With the excellent programs planned for the coming year, you're going to grow and grow and grow!

Terrific plans are being formulated for the Mid-Winter Meeting in Chicago come February. I urge everyone who can possibly attend to start planning right now on being there!

#### SEVENTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Iowa*

Iowa's Reporter, Edith Johnson, says that the months of June, July and August were "Picnic Meetings" for the Iowa Societies. All study meetings were continued in September and their Fort Dodge District Society will hold their big Annual Meeting this month. The Northwest District's Annual Meeting was held at the Sheraton Martin Hotel in Sioux City on September 22, 23 and 24. Watch for the details of this wonderful meeting in our next issue! All Iowa members are continuing to save the lead foil scrap from x-rays this year and they will hold a state-wide "Bazaar" next May.

It is with mixed emotions that the Iowa girls say "So Long" to Bessie Peterson, Immediate Past President, ADAA, and one of their best loved members. They will all miss Bessie but wish her the very best in her new work in Chicago. Your Editor joins in with her best wishes!

Remember the saying, "To err is human, to forgive, divine"? Well, we've goofed again. We learn that it is the Poster made by DaNae Hansen of Waterloo that won the state award and will be presented in competition at the ADAA meeting this fall, rather than the previous report. Congratulations, DaNae, and our best wishes to your Poster in Miami Beach!

##### *News from Nebraska*

Orchids to the twenty-three Nebraska members who took and passed their Certification examination in April and also to those who took the examination in August! All these newly certified members were capped in a lovely ceremony on September 22nd.

Congratulations too to the members who won the coveted Annual Awards. They are: Mary Orr of Omaha who was the winning clinician; Mary Ellen Halstead of York who won the winning essay; Margaret Leedom, Lincoln, who received the Achievement Trophy; Ruth Morgan of Omaha took home the Loyalty Award while the Poster Trophy went to Joan Nelson of Lincoln.

#### *News from Minnesota*

The St. Cloud District Dental Assistants Society had as their honored guest, Delilah Corbul, Immediate Past State President, who sat at the Friendship Table during an impressive Installation Ceremony for their new officers. Dr. N. T. Ahmann, Advisor, gave an interesting talk on "Dental Assisting".

During the West Central District convention, Delilah Corbul spoke on the "Duties of a Good Dental Assistant". Helen Tucker and Mary Ferrise, Instructors of Dental Assistants at the University of Minnesota, spoke on the "Education of the Dental Assistant" and the aims and purposes of the American Dental Assistants Association.

Good news coming! The formation of the North Central Study Club will be announced in the near future!

Congratulations and good luck to Carol Spychalla and Luella Hunt, St. Cloud, for having completed their Extension Study Course! The same to the fourteen members of the St. Cloud society who have completed a home nursing course sponsored by the American Red Cross. The South Central Dental Assistants Study Club held their last meeting of the year at the Saulpaugh Hotel in Mankato. Following election of officers, it was decided that each member should be responsible for one program this next year. Dr. Baker, guest speaker and an instructor in the American Red Cross, spoke on "First Aid in the Dental Office". Congratulations to member Elaine Ruedy whose Poster will be entered in competition at the ADAA meeting in Miami Beach this fall.

The Southern District Dental Assistants held their June meeting in Mankato at which time an open discussion on ways to increase membership was featured. Ethel Meyer was elected to report their meetings, achievements and future plans to the Northwest Dentistry. A tour of the Worson-Polzin Dental Laboratory followed and was of great interest to all the members. The St. Paul District Society held an impressive installation ceremony in May. Installing Officers were Mary Ferrise, Helen Sahl and Ann Stratton. We join all their members in congratulating the new officers and wishing them a most successful year! In June, a Pot Luck Supper was held with each member bringing a guest assistant. May they all become members! Mary Ferrise spoke on "What My Society Means To Me".

#### *News from North Dakota*

Ellen Welsh writes with enthusiasm of the wonderful program presented at their Annual Meeting. The thanks of all the North Dakota members go to Audrey Stetson, who, as Vice President, planned this educational program. It is with regret that they see Audrey leave but wish her all the happiness in her new home.

#### *News from South Dakota*

The Rapid City Dental Assistants are enjoying monthly meetings and will soon become affiliated with the South Dakota Dental Assistants Association and ADAA. They have been meeting every month at the Rapid City Medical Center. Their Advisor is Dr. John C. Dimock. Plans are made to start an Extension Study Course as soon as their affiliation with ADAA is completed! The Sioux Falls Study Club held their May meeting in Vermillion at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Powell. Following their business meeting and election of officers, a lovely installation ceremony was held with Yvonne Mortenson and Ione Powell acting as Installing Officers. The 27th Annual meeting of the South Dakota Dental Assistants Association was held in Watertown in May. This wonderful meeting was conducted by President, Joyce Dupraz with Ann Schmidt heading the Local Arrangements Committee. Ruth Asp, 7th District ADAA Trustee, as special guest, presented a report on the activities of the ADAA. Dr. C. S. Renour, Butte, Montana, ADAA Trustee, brought a message from the American Dental Association. Dr. B. R. Ernst, Sioux Falls, spoke to the group on the importance of an "Educated Dental Assistant". The assistants were invited to present their table clinics with those of the members of the Dental Society. The clinics were: "Acrylic Trays" by Evelyn Boese; "Mixing Silicate Fillings" by Bonnie Hunt; "Knox Method of Toothbrushing" by Marilyn Reyher—all of Sioux Falls. Merle Andrews of Huron presented "Office Management Ideas". Harriett Darling and Merle Andrews acted as Installing Officers at a lovely ceremony honoring the new officers. Past President Rachael White presented the gavel and quill guards to the new President, Patsy Tobin and Secretary, Ione Powell. Evelyn Boese received the Ione Powell Clinic Trophy, Joyce Dupraz was awarded the Harriett Darling Achievement Award and Merle Andrews received the Dr. Ray A. Stratton Loyal Assistant Trophy. The Tri-State Dental Laboratory of Sioux City, Iowa, presented a new Trophy—the President's Trophy—to Patsy Tobin.

The Assistants joined the Doctors to hear lectures by Dr. John L. Woehler, California, who spoke on "Practice Management"; Dr. John A. Anderson and Dr. H. C. Gustavson of Northwestern University speak on "High Speed Diamond Instrumentation" and "Washed

Field Procedure". Throughout the meeting there was an Exhibit displaying the educational material for the dental assistant; pamphlets on advantages of belonging to the Association and information on the ADAA Pin.

#### EIGHTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Kansas*

Special guests at the June meeting of the Kansas City, Kansas Dental Assistants meeting were Dr. Gordon Teall, Sr., Kansas State Dental Society President, and his son, Gordon Teall, Jr. who is a dental student. A lovely Initiation Ceremony took place for all new members and an Installation Ceremony in honor of the new officers.

Election of officers and installation was the order of the day for the Topeka members at their April meeting. Installing officers were Wave Anderson and Gertrude Hoad with Blanch Johanning at the Table of Friendship. Jeanine Ketter, Modine Patterson and Opal Iorger gave reports of the Kansas State Meeting at their May meeting and Mrs. Mary Hack of the Similar Mode Uniform Shop gave the commentary as members modeled the newest in uniforms. Paulene Werner then showed all how "A Dental Assistants Should Not Look".

The Wichita Dental Assistants Society had the privilege of hearing Dr. Glenn Thomas speak and clinics were presented by June Newland, Eunice Snyder, Pat Abshire and Melba Modeen. The Wichita membership figure — 101 — proves that they are a live wire group and doing outstanding work on presenting educational and interesting programs. Congratulations! Thanks to Eunice Snyder, Editor, for all this interesting Kansas news!

#### TENTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Texas*

Welcome to a new society in Texas—The Longview Dental Assistants Society! We hear that the Texarkana Dental Assistants will soon be organized too—Congratulations and Best Wishes!

The Smith County Society met at the home of Jippie Tolbert in June. Slides of the Miami Beach area and other spots of interest in Florida were shown and we are sure they all started packing for that trip to the ADAA meetings after seeing those pictures! This group started their fall meetings in September with an interesting program being presented and a good attendance at Fullers.

The 17th District Society had their doctors and their wives as honored guests at their May meeting. A lovely Installation Ceremony was featured with Dr. John Estes acting as Installing Officer. Thanks to Betty Witcher, Reporter, for this Texas news!

##### *News from Colorado*

The Pueblo Dental Assistants Society, with a big "Assist" from Elta Mae Selzer, Tenth District ADAA Trustee, Virginia Norton, Colorado's Education Committee Chairman and Eloise Wynne, Colorado Springs, have started their first Extension Study Course. We know that they will enjoy their classes and we wish them all the very best!

The Weld County Society in Greeley had the privilege of hearing Mr. Jack Jones, Representative of the Caulk Company, give a demonstration on the correct mixing of silicate and impression materials. These girls are also planning another Extension Study Course which will be in progress soon.

The Boulder Dental Assistants Society have had on their programs several excellent lectures. Dr. Charles B. Keller's subject during the Children's Dental Health Week was "Nutrition". Dr. M. S. Miller spoke on "The Treatment of Emergencies in the Dental Office". Dr. I. L. Aaser addressed the group on "The Duties of the Dental Assistant in Surgery at a Hospital" and will address the assistants at the Colorado State Meeting in Colorado Springs in October. Representing Colorado at the ADAA meeting in Miami Beach in November will be LaVonne Shank, Denver, as Clinician and Delegate, and Daisy Madrigal of Boulder, Colorado's State Secretary. We know they will enjoy their "First" ADAA meeting and take home to Colorado a great amount of enthusiasm and knowledge.

##### *News from Arizona*

Welcome back, Editor Helen Gipson!

Phoenix Reporter, Myrl Hand, gives forth with the good news that their Extension Study Course started last September, is approaching completion with 19 enthusiastic assistants readying themselves for the Certification examination.

Although the Tucson Dental Assistants Society did not have regular meetings during the summer, they did get together for "Fun Meetings" which included a get together at the home of Gladys Dunn where they had a successful "White Elephant Sale".

#### ELEVENTH DISTRICT

##### *News from Hawaii*

The regular monthly business meeting for April was one the members of the Honolulu County Dental Assistants Association will long remember. Through the kindness of Captain G. W. Crosland, U.S.N. Dental Clinic, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, the members of the Honolulu Society were guests of the staff of the Pearl Harbor Dental Clinic. Hostesses for the evening were Virginia Hartzell, DT1, USN; Ruby Noble Stronack, DT2; Dottie Swaim, DT2; Lois Feigh, DT2; Kitty Beerbohm, DT3; Barbara J. Manning, DT3 and Bev Hanna, PH2. A tour of the entire clinic with the above mentioned girls acting as guides, was thor-



oughly enjoyed by the members. Following the tour, they assembled in the reception hall where Captain Grosland, USN, spoke to the group. Following refreshments, two dental films were shown. For most of the girls it was their first visit to Pearl Harbor and its wonderful dental clinic.

The third Extension Study Course is well under way in Honolulu with 14 members taking the course. Instructors are Drs. Albert Lemes, Floyd A. Sandbert, Henry S. Nagahisa, Mervy I. Conner, Pete Nishimura, Moses Kim, Leonard Lai, Samuel W. Glynn, Harold H. Houvener, Ralph N. Akamine, John H. Dawe, Allen M. Ito, Harry Kurisaki, Jr. and Adrian Brash. The Instruction Tests will be given by Dr. Henry Freitas.

The Annual meeting of the Honolulu County Dental Assistants Association was held on May 21st at the South Seas, Waikiki, with 32 members present. On May 25th this group celebrated their 8th Anniversary with a banquet at the Kaiulani Hotel, Pikake Terrace with their doctors, wives and friends contributing to the success of this wonderful event.

This year the Loyalty Trophy was awarded to Sonja Tanioka who has been with Dr. O. R. McGary for 16 years. The Past-President's Trophy was presented to Sybil Baptiste and Achievement Trophies went to Shizue Hioki and Edna Koizumi while the Membership Award was presented to Edna Koizumi. Dr. Masao Nishi, Advisor, and Patsy Okamura added to the festivities by presenting the incoming officers and honored guests with the traditional lei. A Hawaiian stringed ensemble climaxed the evening with renditions of Hawaiian songs and dances. My sincere best wishes and thanks to Annie Kerr for this wonderful news from Hawaii!

#### *News from Northern California*

The San Francisco Dental Assistants Society held their Annual Installation Ceremony on June 11th. Honored guests were: Elma Troutman, ADAA 1st Vice President, Shirley Glashoff, President, Northern California DAA, Jinx Wood, 11th District ADAA Trustee, Norma Schulze, Vice President, NCDAA, Mavis Bailey, Treasurer, NCDAA, Dorothy Wilder and Mr. Dickey of the Bureau of Medical Economics. Preceding the installation ceremony, President Mary Michelsen presented Certificates of Appreciation to all the past years guest speakers and instructors and to Dr. William Maison who designed the cover for their bulletin, the "Right Angle". Fran MacDonald, Chairman of the Trophy Committee, presented to Mary Jean Vail the Kay Butcher Secretary's Cup; to Frances Susnick, the Treasurer's Plaque; to Henrietta Juarez, the Clinic Cup and to Mary Michelsen, the Dr. G. Layton Grier Achievement Cup. Certificates were presented to all those members who gave clinics during the past year. Installing

Officers were Elma Troutman, Shirley Glashoff and Jinx Wood.

The San Francisco's Annual "Doctors Night" was held in September with a large enthusiastic attendance — all rested up after the summer vacation and rarin' to go into another successful year!

The Berkeley Dental Assistants Society was hostess to Oakland, Richmond and Diablo Societies on May 14th for their joint meeting. Mrs. Bernice Foley, Drama Director, was the honored guest. She offered her portrayal of "My Fair Lady" complete with English accent. Her performance was delightful. To contrast to the "light side", five volunteers from Berkeley participated in the civilian defense drill in Oakland on May 18th. It was a cold, wet day but the disaster at "Operation Pill Hill" went as scheduled. To all who participated, went the assurance of the competence of the members of the Civil Defense.

The Mid-Peninsula Dental Assistants held their Installation Ceremony at the Stone Cellar in Menlo Park. Assisting with the Installation were three officers of the Northern California Dental Assistants. Shirley Glashoff, President, was Installing Officer, Helene Turchet, Secretary was Conducting Officer and Eva Purcell, Advisor was the Wise Friend.

Shirley was also honored guest at the Installation Services of the Monterey County Society. Representing Richmond Society at the Pacific Coast Conference was Cosetta French who gave a clinic on "Gold Foil" and Dorothy Hones whose clinic "Vacuum Investing Technic" was also presented.

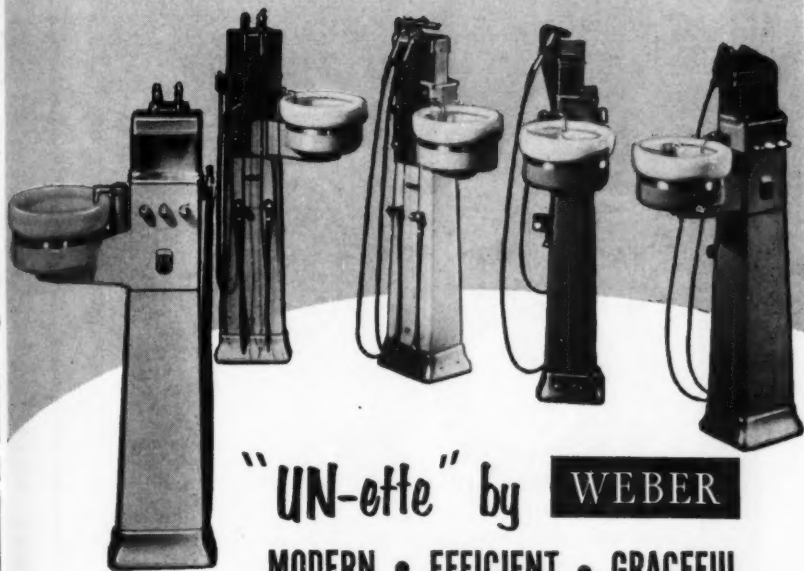
San Mateo reports that they held their Annual "Doctor's Night" which featured colored movies on fishing—both fresh water and deep sea.

The Oakland Dental Assistants Society held their Annual Capping Ceremony of the Junior Students of the Dental Assistants Class at Oakland Junior College. Congratulations to Nancy Becher, Adrianne Yee, Helen Orthmann, Elizabeth Sniker, Shirley Jarves, Jo Ellen Hensley, Gail Mansfield, Jule Davis and Mary Gonsalves! A delightfully humorous and yet very educational clinic was presented at the meeting by Joan Stralla and June Millican as "Miss Don't" and "Miss Do", narrated by Patricia Heafey.

Diablo Society launched a new year of Enthusiasm aboard the good ship "ELSE" with an impressive Installation Ceremony. ENTHUSIASM is the theme chosen by the captain of this ship, President Helen Robinson, and supported by her crew. They plan to set sail on an educational cruise for the year! To satisfy your curiosity concerning ELSE's construction, she has been built upon our Dental Assistants motto: "Education, Loyalty, Service and Efficiency".

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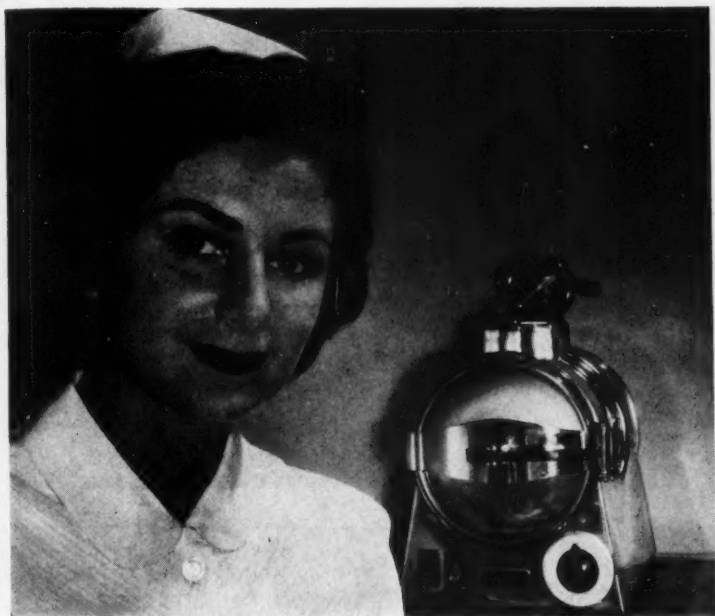
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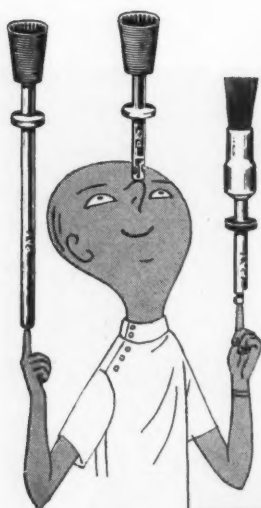
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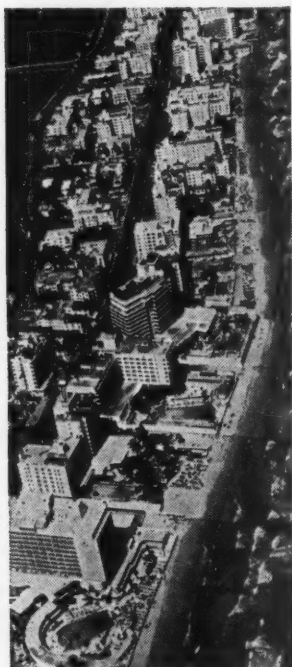
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*News from Southern California*

Congratulations to the members of the San Diego County Society for being such wonderful hostesses at the recent Pacific Coast Conference!

Their educational program was something worth attending and we know that every assistant there went home a better dental assistant. On Monday morning, a Panel Forum with Mary Ann Whalley acting as Chairman, presented Violet Hanson on Certification; Dr. Joseph Levikow, Investments; Magdalene Kulstad, ADAA; Elma Troutman, Public Relations and Freda Dunwoody spoke on Tips for the Dental Assistant Secretary. On Monday afternoon clinics were presented by Mary Michaelson, Mabis Bailey, Cosetta French and Vivian Esslinger of Northern California; Ruth Collins, Clara Moore, Eva Miner, Edith Acosta and Lynn McKakin of Southern California. On Tuesday morning the girls heard talks by Dr. Henry Tanner and Ross Huntley and that afternoon they went on a tour of the Dental Facilities at the Naval Training Center. Added to these wonderful educational features were the social events such as the wonderful Breakfast on Monday morning with Chesna Duis, Editor, SCSDAA Journal, as Mistress of Ceremonies, the Splash Party at the LaFayette Hotel Pool and the Tuesday Noon Luncheon.

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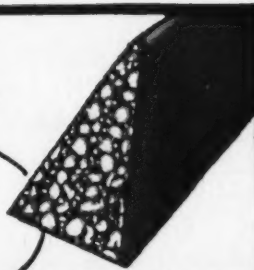
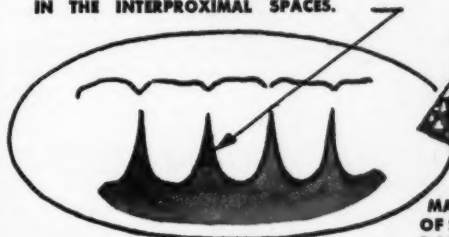
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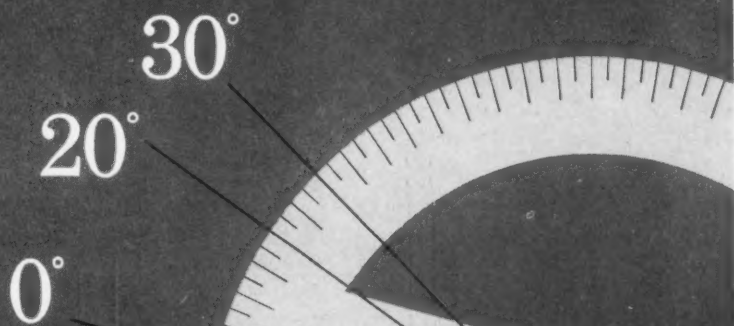
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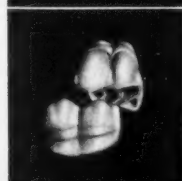
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